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**FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT**

**LS 6930**

**BILL NUMBER:** HB 1492

**DATE PREPARED:** Feb 9, 2001

**BILL AMENDED:** Feb 8, 2001

**SUBJECT:** Environmental Quality Service Council.

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**FUNDS AFFECTED:** X GENERAL  
DEDICATED  
FEDERAL

**IMPACT:** State

STATE IMPACT	FY 2001	FY 2002	FY 2003
State Revenues			
State Expenditures		18,500	18,500
Net Increase (Decrease)		(18,500)	(18,500)

**Summary of Legislation:** (Amended) This bill reestablishes and extends the Environmental Quality Service Council (EQSC) through December 31, 2005. It also reduces the number of members who serve on the EQSC from 24 to 18.

**Effective Date:** Upon passage.

**Explanation of State Expenditures:** (Revised) Legislative Council Resolution 00-2 (adopted May 25, 2000) provides that the budget of any study committee consisting of at least 16 members is \$18,500. Public Law 248-1996 provides that the EQSC consists of 24 members. Hence, the EQSC is allowed an annual budget of \$18,500.

The budget of the EQSC is paid from the legislator travel account within the Legislative Services Agency budget. Legislative Services Agency appropriations come from the State General Fund.

For the 2000 interim and as of December 6, 2000, the Council spent \$14,300 of its total budget. Extending the life of the Council through December 31, 2003, will result in an annual expenditure from the State General Fund of at most \$18,500. Expenditures could be reduced due to the reduction in the number of members on the Council. Legislative Services Agency will provide staff for the Council, as it currently does.

The Agency will incur no additional expenses.

**Explanation of State Revenues:**

**Explanation of Local Expenditures:**

**Explanation of Local Revenues:**

**State Agencies Affected:** Legislative Services Agency

**Local Agencies Affected:**

**Information Sources:**